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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

RE: Applicants: Manjunath Haritsa Ralf M. Schmitt Stephan Hoerold  
Assignee: Sun Microsystems, Inc.  
Title: CLOCK SKEW VERIFICATION METHODOLOGY FOR GRID-BASED DESIGN  
Serial No.: 09/982,452 Filed: October 17, 2001  
Examiner: Binh C. Tat Group Art 2825  
Unit:  
Docket No.: P-5403

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents for the response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2004 in the above application:

1. Return Receipt Postcard;
2. Petition for Extension of Time (1 page);
3. Check in the amount of \$120.00 for Extension of Time Fees (1-month);
4. Transmittal Letter (2 pages); and
5. Amendment (27 pages).

No additional claims fees are required.

Transmittal Letter  
Serial No. 09/982,452

December 21, 2004

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

|  | Claims Remaining<br>after Amendment | Highest No.<br>Previously<br>Paid For | Present<br>Extra | Rate      | Additional<br>Fee |
|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Total Claims   | 77                                  | - 77                                  | = 0              | x \$18.00 | \$ 0.00           |
| Independent Claims   | 8                                   | - 8                                   | = 0              | x \$86.00 | \$ 0.00           |
| First filing of Multiple Dependent Claim (Enter \$290)                   |                                     |                                       |                  |           | 0.00              |
| Petition for Extension of Time (1-months)                                |                                     |                                       |                  |           | 120.00            |
| Total of above Calculation   |                                     |                                       |                  |           | \$120.00          |
| Reduction by 50% for filing by Small Entity (Enter 0.5 for small entity) |                                     |                                       |                  |           | 1.0               |
| Subtotal   |                                     |                                       |                  |           | \$ 120.00         |
| Submission of Information Disclosure Statement Fee (enter \$180)         |                                     |                                       |                  |           | 0.00              |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |                                     |                                       |                  |           | <b>\$ 120.00</b>  |

A check in the amount of \$ 120.00 is enclosed.

Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: If an extension of time is required for timely filing of the enclosed documents after all papers filed with this transmittal have been considered, Applicant(s) hereby petition for such an extension of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required for consideration of the enclosed documents, and to credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0553.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on December 21, 2004.

  
Philip J. McKay  
Attorney for Applicant(s)

December 21, 2004  
Date of Signature

Respectfully submitted,

  
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